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IN PATENT APPLICATION

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I believe that I am an original, first, and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled IMPROVED OPTICAL CONFIGURATION FOR IMAGING-TYPE OPTICAL ENCODERS, the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56.

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